

# BLINK AT HOME

## Quilts

### How can I create a picture out of shapes?

#### Skills to Develop

- + Fine motor
- + Creative thinking
- + Color identification
- + Shape identification

#### Materials

- + Quilt printable [PDF]
- + Construction paper
- + Crayons/colored pencils/markers
- + Scissors
- + Glue

### WHAT TO DO

#### Prepare Before the Activity

1. Print copies of the quilt square template from the quilt printable [PDF]. Print as many copies as you wish to create your quilt.
2. Print multiple copies of the tangrams from the quilt printable [PDF]. Alternatively, caregivers may cut shapes out of construction paper or draw shapes onto construction paper for children to cut out shapes.

#### During the Learning Activity

1. Place all materials in workspace.
2. Explain that we are going to make quilt squares using the available shapes. Consider showing examples of quilts and how the shapes combine to make a pattern or picture.
3. Encourage children to plan a picture using the shapes before gluing them onto the quilt square.
4. Show children how to cut shapes, color shapes, and glue them down to the quilt square. Create your own quilt square alongside your child.
5. Discuss the quilt and art creation process. What colors are used? What is that shape's name? How abstract or realistic is the quilt? What are they feeling as they create? What title would they give the quilt?

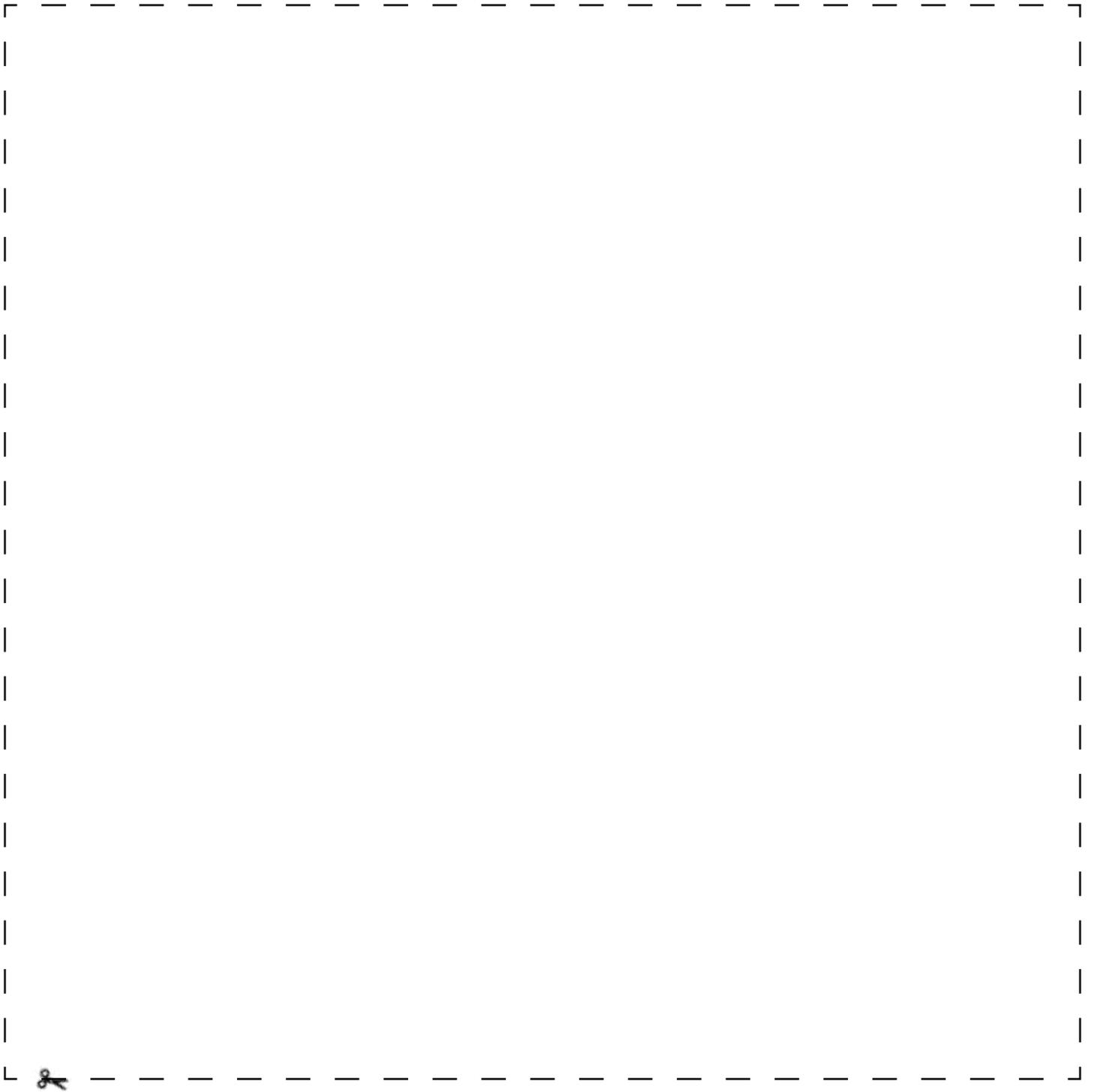
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#### Extend the Fun

- + If you have a quilt at home, what is the story behind that quilt?
- + Create a family and friend quilt with squares created by loved ones.
- + Search the Anchorage Museum's [Online Collection](#) for quilts.

# BLINK: QUILTS

Quilt square template: print and cut out



# BLINK: QUILTS

Tangrams: print and cut out individual shapes

